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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

March 03, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

28 March 3, 2015


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

APPROVAL OF AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE PROVISIONAL FINANCING USES (PFU) BUDGET FOR STRATEGIC VIDEO EXPANSION
All Districts (3 – votes)

SUBJECT

Approval of an Appropriation Adjustment transferring funding from the Provisional Financing Uses (PFU) budget to the Public Defender's Fiscal Year 2014-2015 operating budget to continue its Strategic Video Expansion.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Approve the attached Appropriation Adjustment (Attachment I) transferring \$521,000 from the Provisional Financing Uses budget to the Public Defender's current FY 2014-2015 operating budget to continue its Strategic Video Expansion.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Public Defender is leading the County into the future with a comprehensive, forward looking Communications/Video Strategy that builds on its existing video conferencing system. This expansion will address multiple "communication use cases" with three focus areas: improving legal representation of adults and youth in the justice system; enhancing staff development; and increasing the Department's overall efficiency and productivity.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Strategic Video Expansion promotes the County's Strategic Plan of Operational Effectiveness by

increasing attorney-client communications and expanding staff development and promotes Fiscal Responsibility by reducing travel time and mileage for jail visits and staff trainings.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost for the Strategic Video Expansion was estimated at \$1,042,000 over a two-year period. On April 1, 2014, the Board approved an Appropriation Adjustment of \$521,000 to be transferred from the Provisional Financing Uses budget to the Department's services and supplies operating budget for Strategic Video Expansion. The remaining funds of \$521,000 were to be requested in the FY 2014-2015 budget process to complete the Strategic Video Expansion. The Department is now requesting the remaining \$521,000 in the FY 2014-2015 Budget process to complete the expansion. Attachment II is an estimated implementation schedule for fifteen Public Defender branch conference room video training units.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The transfer of funds from the Provisional Financing Uses budget to a Department requires Board authorization.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The goal of Strategic Video Expansion is to substantially increase the Public Defender video usage over the two year period. Video technology is a major part of the Public Defender's Communications Strategy. It enhances the quality of legal representation by facilitating communications between the attorney and client in custody. It also plays a key role in staff development when used as the mode to deliver training to staff countywide. Video technology also increases productivity by recapturing wasted driving time (1.1 hours per interview) to jail facilities and avoids mileage costs (46 miles per round trip).

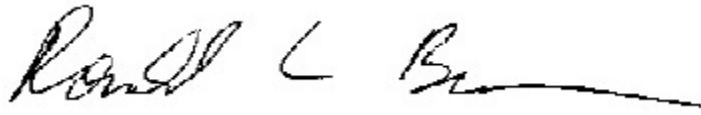
The Public Defender has been a long term video conferencing leader in all County video usage. The Public Defender conducts more than 50% of all County video sessions on a monthly basis for adult and juvenile clients through its Justice Inmate Video Conferencing System (JIVCS) for adults and it's Juvenile Justice Inmate Video Conferencing System (JJIVCS) for juveniles. In calendar year 2013, the Public Defender conducted 14,492 video interviews.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

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RONALD L. BROWN

Public Defender

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer
Auditor Controller
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

DEPT'S.
NO. 670

February 2, 2015

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

FY 2014-15

3 - VOTES

SOURCES

PROVISIONAL FINANCING USES - Various
A01-CB-2000-13749-13760
SERVICES AND SUPPLIES - \$521,000
DECREASE APPROPRIATION

USES

PUBLIC DEFENDER
A01-PD-2000-15200
SERVICES AND SUPPLIES - \$265,000
INCREASE APPROPRIATION

PUBLIC DEFENDER
A01-PD-6030-15200
CAPITAL ASSETS - EQUIPMENT - \$256,000
INCREASE APPROPRIATION

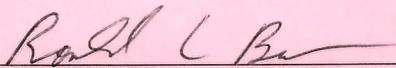
SOURCES TOTAL: \$ 521,000

USES TOTAL: \$ 521,000

JUSTIFICATION

This appropriation adjustment is needed to transfer funds in the amount of \$521,000 from Provisional Financing Uses to Public Defender to fund the Public Defender Video Expansion project for the second phase of a two year project.

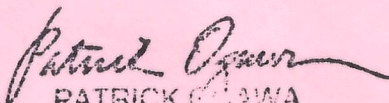
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE Ronald L. Brown, Public Defender

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)

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PATRICK O'QUINN
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR ---☐ ACTION☒ RECOMMENDATION

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

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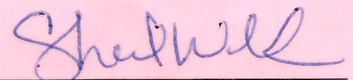
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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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ATTACHMENT II

STRATEGIC VIDEO EXPANSION

***Equipment Rollout Schedule for Implementation of
Branch Conference Room Video Training***

Metropolitan Conference Room	July 2015
East Los Angeles Conference Room	July - August 2015
Eastlake Conference Room	August - September 2015
Inglewood Conference Room	September 2015
Downey Conference Room	October - November 2015
Los Padrinos Conference Room	November 2015
Bellflower Conference Room	December 2015
Alhambra Conference Room	December - January 2016
Burbank Conference Room	January 2016
Glendale Conference Room	February - March 2016
West Covina Conference Room	March 2016
El Monte Conference Room	April - May 2016
Sylmar Conference Room	May 2016
Santa Clarita Conference Room	May - June 2016
Lancaster – Juvenile Conference Room	June 2016